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SUBJECT: BOEING 737 VIP AIRCRAFT

REF: NEW DELHI 3018

1. THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO REVIEW THE PREVIOUS
DECISION TO PURCHASE TWO BOEING 737 VIP AIRCRAFT (REFTEL). WE
UNDERSTAND THAT BOTH INDIAN AIRLINES (IA) AND THE INDIAN AIR
FORCE ARE STILL IN FAVOR OF THE BOEING PURCHASE BECAUSE OF THE
NEED TO REPLACE PRESENT VIP AIRCRAFT. HOWEVER, IA WOULD
PREFER A REPLACEABLE VIP INTERIOR COSTING ONLY ABOUT \$600,000,
WHILE THE AIR FORCE APPARENTLY WANTS A MORE LUXURIOUS INTERIOR
COSTING SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS, WHICH WOULD INCREASE THE COST
OF EACH BOEING VIP PLANE TO \$10-11 MILLION.

2. IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, SUBRAMANIAM SWAMY, PROMINENT
JANATA MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT, HAS ALLEGED THAT THERE HAVE
BEEN IMPROPRIETIES IN THE PURCHASE OF BOEINGS BY BOTH IA
AND AIR INDIA AND HAS DEMANDED THAT ALL NAMES FIGURING IN
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THE PAYOFF SCANDAL BE DISCLOSED. A TOP OFFICIAL (UNNAMED) OF
AIR INDIA TOLD THE ECONOMIC TIMES RECENTLY THAT THE GOI HAD
FULLY APPROVED THE BOEING PURCHASES AND THAT AIR INDIA HAD
NOTHING TO HIDE.
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